

Thompson (CA)	Upton	Weller	Cubin	Israel	Nunes	Taylor (NC)	Udall (NM)	Weldon (FL)
Thompson (MS)	Van Hollen	Wexler	Culberson	Issa	Nussle	Terry	Upton	Weldon (PA)
Thornberry	Velázquez	Wicker	Cummings	Istook	Oberstar	Thomas	Van Hollen	Weller
Tiahrt	Visclosky	Wilson (NM)	Cunningham	Jackson (IL)	Obey	Thompson (CA)	Velázquez	Wexler
Tiberi	Vitter	Wilson (SC)	Davis (AL)	Jackson-Lee	Olver	Thompson (MS)	Visclosky	Wicker
Tierney	Walden (OR)	Wolf	Davis (CA)	(TX)	Ortiz	Thornberry	Vitter	Wilson (NM)
Toomey	Walsh	Wu	Davis (FL)	Jefferson	Osborne	Tiahrt	Walden (OR)	Wilson (SC)
Towns	Wamp	Wynn	Davis (IL)	Jenkins	Ose	Tiberi	Walsh	Wolf
Turner (OH)	Waxman	Young (AK)	Davis (TN)	John	Otter	Tierney	Wamp	Woolsey
Turner (TX)	Weiner	Young (FL)	Davis, Jo Ann	Johnson (CT)	Owens	Toomey	Waters	Wu
Udall (CO)	Weldon (FL)		Davis, Tom	Johnson (IL)	Oxley	Towns	Watson	Wynn
Udall (NM)	Weldon (PA)		Deal (GA)	Johnson, E. B.	Pallone	Turner (OH)	Watt	Young (AK)
			DeFazio	Johnson, Sam	Pascrell	Turner (TX)	Waxman	Young (FL)
			DeGette	Jones (NC)	Pastor	Udall (CO)	Weiner	

NAYS—17

Conyers	Lee	Schakowsky
Honda	Lewis (GA)	Stark
Jackson (IL)	McDermott	Waters
Jackson-Lee	Owens	Watson
(TX)	Paul	Watt
Kucinich	Payne	Woolsey

NOT VOTING—13

Bereuter	Gephardt	Reyes
Berman	Hastings (FL)	Tauzin
Carson (IN)	Hinojosa	Whitfield
DeMint	McInnis	
Deutsch	Mollohan	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LINDER) (during the vote). Two minutes remain in this vote.

□ 1740

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

RECOGNIZING NATIONAL HOMEOWNERSHIP MONTH

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the resolution, H. Res. 658.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. GARY G. MILLER) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 658, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 415, nays 2, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 285]

YEAS—415

Abercrombie	Blackburn	Cannon
Ackerman	Blumenauer	Cantor
Aderholt	Blunt	Capito
Akin	Boehler	Capps
Alexander	Boehner	Capuano
Allen	Bonilla	Cardin
Andrews	Bonner	Cardoza
Baca	Bono	Carson (OK)
Bachus	Boozman	Carter
Baird	Boswell	Case
Baker	Boucher	Castle
Baldwin	Boyd	Chabot
Ballenger	Bradley (NH)	Chandler
Barrett (SC)	Brady (PA)	Chocola
Bartlett (MD)	Brady (TX)	Clay
Barton (TX)	Brown (OH)	Clyburn
Bass	Brown (SC)	Coble
Beauprez	Brown, Corrine	Cole
Becerra	Brown-Waite,	Collins
Bell	Ginny	Conyers
Berkley	Burgess	Cooper
Berry	Burns	Costello
Biggart	Burr	Cox
Bilirakis	Burton (IN)	Cramer
Bishop (GA)	Buyer	Crane
Bishop (NY)	Calvert	Crenshaw
Bishop (UT)	Camp	Crowley

Cubin	Israel	Nunes	Taylor (NC)	Udall (NM)	Weldon (FL)
Culberson	Issa	Nussle	Terry	Upton	Weldon (PA)
Cummings	Istook	Oberstar	Thomas	Van Hollen	Weller
Cunningham	Jackson (IL)	Obey	Thompson (CA)	Velázquez	Wexler
Davis (AL)	Jackson-Lee	Olver	Thompson (MS)	Visclosky	Wicker
Davis (CA)	(TX)	Ortiz	Thornberry	Vitter	Wilson (NM)
Davis (FL)	Jefferson	Osborne	Tiahrt	Walden (OR)	Wilson (SC)
Davis (IL)	Jenkins	Ose	Tiberi	Walsh	Wolf
Davis (TN)	John	Otter	Tierney	Wamp	Woolsey
Davis, Jo Ann	Johnson (CT)	Owens	Toomey	Waters	Wu
Davis, Tom	Johnson (IL)	Oxley	Towns	Watson	Wynn
Deal (GA)	Johnson, E. B.	Pallone	Turner (OH)	Watt	Young (AK)
DeFazio	Johnson, Sam	Pascrell	Turner (TX)	Waxman	Young (FL)
DeGette	Jones (NC)	Pastor	Udall (CO)	Weiner	
Delahunt	Jones (OH)	Payne			
DeLauro	Kanjorski	Pearce			
DeLay	Kaptur	Pelosi	Flake	Paul	
Diaz-Balart, L.	Keller	Pence			
Diaz-Balart, M.	Kelly	Peterson (MN)			
Dicks	Kennedy (MN)	Peterson (PA)			
Dingell	Kennedy (RI)	Petri			
Doggett	Kildee	Pickering			
Dooley (CA)	Kilpatrick	Pitts			
Doolittle	Kind	Platts			
Doyle	King (IA)	Pombo			
Dreier	King (NY)	Pomeroy			
Duncan	Kingston	Porter			
Dunn	Kirk	Portman			
Edwards	Kleczka	Price (NC)			
Ehlers	Kline	Pryce (OH)			
Emanuel	Knollenberg	Putnam			
Emerson	Kolbe	Quinn			
Engel	Kucinich	Radanovich			
English	LaHood	Rahall			
Eshoo	Lampson	Ramstad			
Etheridge	Langevin	Rangel			
Evans	Larsen (WA)	Regula			
Everett	Larson (CT)	Rehberg			
Farr	Latham	Renzi			
Fattah	LaTourette	Reynolds			
Feeney	Leach	Rodriguez			
Ferguson	Lee	Rogers (AL)			
Filner	Levin	Rogers (KY)			
Foley	Lewis (CA)	Rogers (MI)			
Forbes	Lewis (GA)	Rohrabacher			
Ford	Lewis (KY)	Ros-Lehtinen			
Fossella	Linder	Ross			
Frank (MA)	Lipinski	Rothman			
Franks (AZ)	LoBiondo	Roybal-Allard			
Frelinghuysen	Lofgren	Royce			
Frost	Lowey	Ruppersberger			
Gallegly	Lucas (KY)	Rush			
Garrett (NJ)	Lucas (OK)	Ryan (OH)			
Gerlach	Lynch	Ryan (WI)			
Gibbons	Majette	Ryun (KS)			
Gilchrest	Maloney	Sabo			
Gillmor	Manzullo	Sánchez, Linda			
Gingrey	Markey	T.			
Gonzalez	Marshall	Sanchez, Loretta			
Goode	Matheson	Sanders			
Goodlatte	Matsui	Sandlin			
Gordon	McCarthy (MO)	Saxton			
Goss	McCarthy (NY)	Schakowsky			
Granger	McCollum	Schiff			
Graves	McCotter	Schrock			
Green (TX)	McCrery	Scott (GA)			
Green (WI)	McDermott	Scott (VA)			
Greenwood	McGovern	Sensenbrenner			
Grijalva	McHugh	Serrano			
Gutierrez	McIntyre	Sessions			
Gutknecht	McKeon	Shadegg			
Hall	McNulty	Shaw			
Harman	Meehan	Shays			
Harris	Meek (FL)	Sherman			
Hart	Meeks (NY)	Sherwood			
Hastings (WA)	Menendez	Shimkus			
Hayes	Mica	Shuster			
Hayworth	Michaud	Simmons			
Hefley	Millender-	Simpson			
Hensarling	McDonald	Skelton			
Herger	Miller (FL)	Slaughter			
Herseth	Miller (MI)	Smith (MI)			
Hill	Miller (NC)	Smith (NJ)			
Hinchev	Miller, Gary	Smith (TX)			
Hobson	Miller, George	Smith (WA)			
Hoeffel	Moore	Snyder			
Hoekstra	Moran (KS)	Solis			
Holden	Moran (VA)	Souder			
Holt	Murphy	Spratt			
Honda	Murtha	Stearns			
Hooley (OR)	Musgrave	Stenholm			
Hostettler	Nadler	Strickland			
Houghton	Napolitano	Stupak			
Hoyer	Neal (MA)	Sullivan			
Hulshof	Nethercutt	Sweeney			
Hunter	Neugebauer	Tancredo			
Inslee	Ney	Tanner			
Isakson	Northup	Tauscher			
	Norwood	Taylor (MS)			

NAYS—2

Flake	Paul
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NOT VOTING—16

Bereuter	Hastings (FL)	Reyes
Berman	Hinojosa	Stark
Carson (IN)	Lantos	Tauzin
DeMint	McInnis	Whitfield
Deutsch	Mollohan	
Gephardt	Myrick	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Two minutes remain in this vote.

□ 1748

So (two thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. DEUTSCH. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably absent from the Chamber today during rollcall votes No. 284 and No. 285.

Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 284, and "yea" on rollcall No. 285.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. HINOJOSA. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 283, the Inslee amendment—"yes"; rollcall No. 284, Final Passage of H.R. 4613—"yes"; and rollcall No. 285, H. Res. 658—"yes."

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO ABRAHAM LINCOLN STUDY ABROAD FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LINDER). Pursuant to section 104(c)(1) of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2004, (Public Law 108-199), and the order of the House of December 8, 2003, the Chair announces the Speaker's appointment of the following members on the part of the House to the Commission on the Abraham Lincoln Study Abroad Fellowship Program:

Mr. Mark Kirk, Wilmette, Illinois;
Mr. JOHN C. Peters, DeKalb, Illinois;
Mr. S. Kerry Cooper, College Station, Texas.

COMMUNICATION FROM HONORABLE NANCY PELOSI, DEMOCRATIC LEADER

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable NANCY PELOSI, Democratic Leader:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OFFICE OF THE DEMOCRATIC LEADER,
Washington, DC, June 22, 2004.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to section 104(c)(1) of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2004 (P.L. 108-199), I hereby appoint to the Commission on the Abraham Lincoln Study Abroad Fellowship Program, Representative Louise Slaughter of New York, Dr. Mary M. Dwyer of Lake Forest, Illinois, and Ms. Mora McLean of New York.

Best regards,

NANCY PELOSI.

REPORT REGARDING ICELAND'S
WHALING ACTIVITIES—MESSAGE
FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE
UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 108-
195)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objection, referred to the Committee on International Relations and the Committee on Resources and ordered to be printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

On June 16, 2004, Secretary of Commerce Donald Evans certified under section 8 of the Fisherman's Protective Act of 1967, as amended (the "Pelly Amendment") (22 U.S.C. 1978), that Iceland has conducted whaling activities that diminish the effectiveness of the International Whaling Commission (IWC) conservation program. This message constitutes my report to the Congress consistent with subsection (b) of the Pelly Amendment.

The certification of the Secretary of Commerce is the first against Iceland for its lethal research whaling program. In 2003, Iceland announced that it would begin a lethal research whaling program and planned to take 250 minke, fin, and sei whales for research purposes. The United States expressed strong opposition to Iceland's decision, in keeping with our longstanding policy against lethal research whaling. Iceland's proposal was criticized at the June 2003 IWC Annual Meeting by a majority of members of the IWC Scientific Committee, and the IWC passed a resolution that urged Iceland not to commence this program. In addition, the United States, along with 22 other nations, issued a joint protest asking Iceland to halt the program immediately. The United States believe the Icelandic research whaling program is of questionable scientific validity. Scientific data relevant to the management of whale stocks can be collected by non-lethal techniques. Since Iceland's 2003 announcement, Iceland reduced its proposed take to 38 minke whales and in implementing its lethal research program, killed 36 whales last year. For this year, Iceland has proposed taking 25 minke whales. The United States welcomes this decision to reduce the take and to limit it to

minke whales, and we appreciate Iceland's constructive work with the United States at the IWC on a variety of whaling issues. These adjustments, however, do not change our assessment that Iceland's lethal research whaling program is of questionable scientific validity and diminishes the effectiveness of the IWC's conservation program.

In his letter of June 16, 2004, Secretary Evans expressed his concern for these actions, and I share these concerns. I also concur in his recommendation that the use of trade sanctions is not the course of action needed to resolve our current differences with Iceland over research whaling activities. Accordingly, I am not directing the Secretary of the Treasury to impose trade sanctions on Icelandic products for the whaling activities that led to certification by the Secretary of Commerce. However, to ensure that this issue continues to receive the highest level of attention, I am directing U.S. delegations attending future bilateral meetings with Iceland regarding whaling issues to raise our concerns and seek ways to halt these whaling actions. I am also directing the Secretaries of State and Commerce to keep this situation under close review and to continue to work with Iceland to encourage it to cease its lethal scientific research whaling activities. I believe these diplomatic efforts hold the most promise of effecting change in Iceland's research whaling program, and do not believe that imposing import prohibitions would further our objectives.

GEORGE W. BUSH.

THE WHITE HOUSE, June 22, 2004.

PRAISE FOR THE PRESIDENT'S
JOBS AND GROWTH TAX RELIEF
PACKAGE

(Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to praise the President and my colleagues in Congress for passing tax relief that has more Americans working today and taking home even more of their hard-earned money.

The American economy was delivered three very substantial blows with the downturn in the global economy, the corporate scandals, and the attack of 9-11. We are now on the high-speed highway to recovery.

America has a broad, deep economy that is rapidly growing. In fact, the tax relief we passed has added jobs for the past 9 months, creating 1.4 million jobs. My State of Florida has seen almost 300,000 new jobs since December of 2001. And let me tell the Members, Mr. Speaker, I can see the results when I am in my district. There are help wanted signs out once again. What a wonderful sight to see.

The President's Jobs and Growth tax relief package enacted a year ago

helped drive the strong improvement in our economy. It raised the level of economic activity and productivity which will result in higher incomes and living standards for all American workers.

I praise the President and this House for engineering that growth.

THE PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC
POLICY

(Mr. BROWN of Ohio asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, President Bush again was in Ohio this past week to try to justify his economic program to try to sell it to the residents of my State.

Since President Bush took office, one out of six manufacturing jobs has disappeared from my State. President Bush will be the first President since Herbert Hoover to have a net loss of jobs during his time in office. Ohio has lost 190 jobs every single day of the Bush administration.

His answer is always the same: more tax breaks for large corporations and the wealthiest people in the country which might, he thinks, trickle down to create jobs, and more trade agreements like NAFTA which all serve only to ship jobs overseas.

Mr. Speaker, instead of this disastrous Bush economic policy, we need to change directions, extend unemployment benefits, and give tax incentives to those corporations that do business in the United States rather than using U.S. taxpayer subsidies to reward those companies that go overseas and ship jobs overseas and outsource our middle-class jobs.

COMMENDING THE BUSH ADMINIS-
TRATION FOR A JOB WELL DONE

(Mr. KINGSTON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. KINGSTON. Mr. Speaker, while there is still a lot of work left to do in Iraq, it is very significant that on June 30, the new government takes over. This is a step that is largely accepted by the international community as a good thing.

Progress is being made, but America is still going to have to stay in there for security reasons to help rebuild the infrastructure and to get the international community to continue to support the new government. We need to stick together on this.

Meanwhile, domestically the economy is picking up. Three hundred thousand jobs were created last month. It bring us to, I believe, something like 900,000 jobs this year. Huge economic growth, lots of opportunities are out there.

For our senior citizens, Medicare cards are now available that give up to a 20 to 25 percent discount on prescription drugs, very helpful for those who are on a fixed income and those who are in retirement.

This administration has taken significant steps to continue to make